

Welcome

We extend a warm welcome to all who worship with us this morning. If you are seeking a church home, we invite you to become a member of First Presbyterian Church.

For more information, please speak to the pastor at the close of the service.

This Week at FPC

Today
 8:45 a.m. Worship
 9:45 a.m. Church School
 11:00 a.m. Worship
 12:15 p.m. **Deacons' Meeting**

Monday

Tuesday
 9:00 a.m. Preschool

Wednesday
 5:30 p.m. Personnel Meeting
 6:00 p.m. Fellowship Meal
 6:30 p.m. Choir Practice

Thursday
 9:00 a.m. Preschool
 9:30 a.m. VanGoes Outing
 6:30 p.m. Praise Team

Friday

Saturday

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

WEDNESDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP

October 24, 6:00 p.m.

Roasted Pulled Pork, Baked Apples & Sweet Potatoes, Green Beans, Pumpkin Cake

This Wednesday will be the annual **Fall Festival!** Dress in your favorite costume. There will be crafts and treats for the kids, plus a carved pumpkin contest. Please bring candy donations to dinner with you for the children.

Please call the church office by Tuesday to make a reservation.

DINGES HOUSE "SPRUCE UP" DAY calls for volunteers to help spruce up the church Annex on November 3. Please contact the church office for more information.

PRESBYTERIAN DISASTER ASSISTANCE (PDA) is responding to Hurricanes Florence and Michael and Typhoon Mangkhut. PDA urges your support for the people affected by these catastrophic events. **GIVE. ACT. PRAY.**

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING: There will be a Congregational Meeting on Sunday, October 28 at 10:45 a.m. for the purpose of electing four At-Large members to the Officer Nominating Committee.

CHILI COOK-OFF BENEFITING COMPASSIONATE HANDS

Saturday, October 27

5:00pm – 7:00pm

Wilson County Fairgrounds Fiddlers Grove

Purchase advance tickets or register to enter your chili at compassionatehandstn.org/chili.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

LEBANON, TENNESSEE

Service for the Lord's Day

October 21, 2018

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

11:00 a.m.

THE GATHERING

To Glorify God and Enjoy God Forever

SILENT MEDITATION

PRELUDE

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

arr. Joyce Jones

CHIMING THE HOUR

CHORAL INTROIT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

(from Psalm 22)

Leader: The poor shall eat and be satisfied;
those who seek him shall praise the Lord.

People: **May your hearts live forever!**

Leader: All the ends of the earth shall remember
and turn to the Lord;

People: **And all the families of the nations shall worship before him.**

Leader: For dominion belongs to the Lord,

People: **And he rules over the nations.**

*HYMN No. 144

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!

HYFRYDOL

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of Grace, we stand before you knowing that your Word is active and alive. Your Word strips us of our pretensions and judges our hidden thoughts. Nevertheless, we confess that we attempt to keep secrets and hide from you. We give thanks that you sympathize with our weaknesses and grant us your mercy. Forgive us our many sins and fill us with your glorious hope. Amen.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

* Those who are able are invited to stand.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Because of God's love in Christ, we are forgiven. Friends, believe the good news.

People: Thanks be to God!

*GLORIA PATRI

Hymn No. 579

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, amen.*

*THE PEACE

The Peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

THE WORD OF GOD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

God of mercy, you promised never to break your covenant with us.
Amid all the changing words of our generation,
speak your eternal Word that does not change.
Then may we respond to your gracious promises with faithful and obedient
lives; through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Hebrews 4:12-16

*Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness,
so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.*

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Roland E. Martin

*Come, thou fount of ev'ry blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace!
Streams of mercy never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above.
Praise the mount! Oh, fix me on it, mount of God's unchanging love.*

*Here I find my greatest treasure; hither by thy help, I've come;
and I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger wand'ring from the fold of God;
he, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.*

*O, to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be!
Let thy goodness, like a fetter, bind my wand'ring heart to thee.
prone to wander, Lord I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;
here's my heart, oh, take and seal it, seal it for thy courts above.*

TIME FOR THE CHILDREN

Children are invited to come forward.

SERMON

Throne of Grace

Rev. Sherard Edington

RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

*HYMN NO. 298

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

IN BABILONE

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the
Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was
crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose
again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand
of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick
and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of
saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life
everlasting. Amen.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

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Antiphon

Jean Langlais

*DOXOLOGY

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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SENDING FORTH

*HYMN NO. 403

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

CONVERSE

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

Symphony No. 4 Finale

Charles-Marie Widor